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## ★ ROUNDUP of Texas & International News

**CARUSO RETREATS OTB.** Two weeks before DipCon, Caruso the Cat, official Diplomacy Mascot, was attacked by a neighborhood dog and sustained serious damage to a rear leg, stabbed as it were. He was making slow progress until the Wednesday before the con, when he slowed down and began to complain of severe pain. I took him to the Emergency Vet Clinic at 4 am Thursday and to his regular vet later that morning. The doctor was pessimistic about his chances, but stayed by his side. He called me at 7 Friday morning with the sad news that Caruso had sung his last aria. He had died during the night of septicemia. Caruso's doctor had treated him since he was a kitten and asked me if I would allow him to bury Caruso on his "ranch" in the Hill Country west of Austin. Caruso was given to me by my wife and son on my birthday eight years ago, a Maine coon tabby with a surprising vocal range and a personality that wouldn't quit. He stayed close to me when I was home, sitting in my lap when I typed, and sleeping at my feet when I went to bed. His greatest honor was acceding to the title of Diplomacy Mascot when the incumbent, Jack Master's dog Brux, was dispatched by his owner. His empty office will be filled by a special election this fall, and I will probably be getting a new kitten in the next several months, but there will always be a Caruso-sized hole in my heart.

**ORIGINS/DIPCON.** I won't bore you with a blow-by-blow of the games I observed and played in (just a couple of blows, maybe). It was a mixed experience to meet some of you guys in person after years of writing to each other. Mark Luedi, Bob Olsen, John Michalski, Matt Fleming, Ben Schilling, Pete Gaughan, Jack Brawner, Mark Freuh, Guy & Libby Hail, Conrad Minshall, Greg Ellis, and more BNFs were there, none of whom looked much like my mental pictures. Turnout for Diplomacy events was good. After receiving the bad news about Caruso, I was not very up for the whole weekend, and I arrived too late on Friday to play in the Gunboat Dip



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1983 H Longhorn F 1903  
F/R SOUTHERN STRATEGIES SUCCEED;  
ITALO-AUSTRIAN COOPERATION NOTED

> Since the dsl Turkish F Bul was on the east coast, it was annihilated last season.

**ENGLAND** (Seth Owen): F Ska-DEN (F NTH s), A Nwy-SWE, F NWG-Nwy, A HOL-Kie, A BEL s A Hol {otm}.

**FRANCE** (Rick Ragsdale): A Bur-MAR, A Mar-PIE (F GOL s), F Trh-NAP, F Wes-TRH, F Tun-ION.

**GERMANY** (John Mayes): A RUH-Hol (A Hol s {nsu}), A MUN s A Ruh {otm}, F Den-Nth {ds1, ret to Hel, Bal or dsb}, F KIE u, h.

**ITALY** (Mark Luedi): F Ion-EAS, A ROM-Ven (A TUS s).

**AUSTRIA** (Greg Fritz): A Ven-APU, A TRI-Ven (A TYO s), A BUL s Russian F Bla-Con, F GRE s A Bul.

**RUSSIA** (Joe Gallagher): A Stp-LVN, A FIN-Nwy, F Swe-SKA, F Bla-CON (F SMY s), A Arm-ANK, A Rum-GAL.

**TURKEY** (Mike Cannon): F Con-Ank {ds1, ret to Aeg or dsb}.

### Supply Center Chart: W'04

E:	Home, Bel, Hol, DEN, Nwy, SWE	8/build 2
F:	Home, Spa, Por, Tun, NAP	7/build 1
G:	Home, Den	3/remove 1
I:	Rom, Ven, Nap	2/remove 1
A:	Home, Ser, Gre, BUL	6/build 1
R:	Home, Swe, Rum, Smy, CON, ANK	8/build 1
T:	Ank, Con, Bul	0/out

> Thanks and six issues of LSD to Mike for playing Turkey to the bitter end.

### PRESS--

**ITALY-AUSTRIA:** Hope you enjoy Venice while you can; you just gave the game away. To prevent this sort of thing from happening in the future, I suggest you learn the meaning of "stalemate line"; maybe now you'll begin to appreciate the term.

**ITALY-FRANCE:** Go get 'em, and good luck!

**ON A LEAKY ROWBOAT JUST OUTSIDE CONSTANTINOPLE:** Boy do I feel stupid. You see, I mailed my orders to the wrong address last time. Yes, the way I have played my position I ought to be flogged. But don't worry, I'll soon be gone and you won't have to deal with my incompetent play any more. (Glad I got that out of my system!)

**GERMANY:** If a country falls in the Rhineland, does anyone hear it?

## Post Office of Texas

Mike,

How did you know I'm interested in the Egyptian language? Enclosed are my answers to latest Puzzler (how did I do, teach?)

Huh? Huh?). Actually, I had a lot of trouble with them, which I've detailed as follows:

#5 is the hieroglyph for a "chair" or "stool" (which doesn't appear in the answers). "Seat, throne" comes closest so I chose that, although I know the hieroglyph for a "seat" or "throne" is:

#10 is the hieroglyph for a "field" or "garden". I chose "plants in a field" as the answer since it seems to come closest although "plants in a field" would be:

#11 is the hieroglyph for a "basket" or "receptacle for offerings". "Bowl" was the closest answer I could find.

#12 is a "stylized" hieroglyph for "jawbone". On chiseled inscriptions it would appear thusly:

#14 is the hieroglyph for a wine, or oil, press. "Grape juice was the closest answer I could find, although

this is the hieroglyph for wine:

#15 is the hieroglyph for the consonant "t" in the Egyptian alphabet. I've never seen this hieroglyph, used by itself, i.e., standing alone, to denote anything else. The same can be said for #33, which denotes the vowel "a", and #35 which denotes the consonant "r". So for #15, #33, and #35 I've hopefully made educated guesses, mostly through a process of elimination.

#25 is the hieroglyph for "rain", although the closest I could come to it in the answers is "storm". Actually, the hieroglyph for "storm" is:

(represents the sky falling).

#26 is the hieroglyph for "crown", although in the list of answers "headdress" seems to come closest. The hieroglyph for "headdress" would be , literally a covering for the head and neck. This hieroglyph leaves

no doubt its a headdress:

#34 really gave me a lot of trouble, because it's the hieroglyph for "governor". "King" was the closest I could find among the answers, although it's well known that any hieroglyph denoting royalty, the figure always wears some form of headdress. The royal staff which means "to rule, reign, or govern" gave me the clue to assume it meant "king".

#36 is the hieroglyph denoting "to shine" or "lighten". The word "radiance" was the closest I could come to it among the answers. The hieroglyph for "radiance" is:

This hieroglyph can mean "light, radiance, brilliance", or "to shine".

Although I had a lot of trouble with the Puzzler, Mike, I nevertheless much enjoyed doing it....because you've forced me to put my thinking cap on. By the way, where did you get your list of answers? Are you interested in hieroglyphics, too?

Regards,  
Ralph Morton  
RR#2 Greely, Ont.  
CANADA K0A 1Z0

## ANSWERS TO HIEROGLYPHICS PUZZLER

	Cannon	Morton	Walker	Correct English
16	16	16	16	16 life (ankh)
11	17	17	17	17 night
4	4	4	4	4 the two lips
10	10	10	10	10 plants in field
24	24	24	24	24 to hide
28	28	28	28	28 altar
31	31	31	31	31 mirror
34	34	34	34	34 king
7	7	7	7	7 to transport
19	19	19	19	19 to fly
13	13	13	13	13 backbone
20	20	20	20	20 hair
3	9	9	9	9 wind
12	12	12	12	12 jawbone
20	18	18	18	18 a branch, wood
9	15	15	15	15 cake
18	1	1	1	1 go back, retreat
6	6	6	6	6 breastplate
17	3	3	3	3 heaven
33	33	33	33	33 a reed
35	35	35	35	35 a mouth
26	26	26	26	26 headgear
25	25	25	25	25 storm
1	30	30	30	30 to fight
27	27	27	27	27 to swim
5	5	5	5	5 seat, throne
29	29	29	29	29 to weep
23	23	23	23	23 to dance
21	21	21	21	21 childbearing
32	11	11	11	11 lord, all, bowl
36	36	36	36	36 radiance
22	22	28	28	22 tunic
15	32	32	32	32 day
2	2	2	2	2 captive
14	14	19	19	14 grape juice
8	3	8	8	8 nest
8	1	2		# of errors

PS. This is what your name, "Michael", might look like in hieroglyphics:



The letter "e" is usually not indicated in the Egyptian writing system.

{You mentioned your interest a couple of years ago when you commented on one of my cartoons. Mine comes from a general interest in languages and the striking graphic quality of the hieroglyphics. I don't actually know very much about the system.}

Dear Mike:

Re: your puzzle in #35. Too easy, perhaps, although I have a couple of quibbles:

14. This refers not so much to grape juice per se as to the act of squeezing it.

22. Yes, I know Budge gives "tunic" for this one, but strictly speaking a tunic is an upper garment, usually about knee-length. What you have here is a loincloth or skirt and not a tunic at all.

25. This can be used as a determinative for storm (see "tempest"), but by itself, it really means "rain".

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33. A most peculiar sign. There is every evidence it means "feather", not "reed", and yet it also relates to plants.

34. You forgot the headdress here.

Re: p. 3. The picture regarding the Spanish Inquisition is wholly inaccurate. The Soft Cushions are entirely absent, and I don't see the Comfy Chair, either. I was really surprised to see this; I didn't expect the Spanish Inquisition.

Best,  
Rod Walker  
1273 Crest Dr.  
Encinitas, CA 92024

{From the answers, I'd guess that Ralph and Rod both figured out all the "correct" equivalents, but both seem to have erred in transcribing their answers. They and the only other entry, Mike Cannon, did better than I did, so I'm giving each entrant two issues of LSD. By the way, the puzzler came from the September 1981 issue of Texas Monthly.}

Ciao Mike,

I was born in Amarillo, TX. How's that for trivia? I still have my copy of my "Texan Citizenship" document. If Texas ever leaves the Union, I'm persona grata.

Best and Ciao,  
Don Williams  
217-B Craig Ct.  
Redlands, CA 92374

{Don's the originator of the Socrates Award, mentioned last issue, and publisher of FIAT BELLUM. He sent me a sample, and told me it's available as a subzine in Steve Langley's MAGUS. Sound's like a pretty good combination.}

Dear Mike,

My mood fluctuated wildly over the course of last HOL - from wondering why some people seem to have it in for me, to not caring why and ignoring them, and back again. I've gotten to the point where I'm wondering if Dipdom is worth it sometimes - and I don't like that.

But if you read on in the issue, you'll note that I did leave a loophole to keep the zeen alive. All you need to do is relate an out-of-dipdom experience, and get the rest of my subbers to do so as well. Something along the lines of 1) how you got into postal dip (like my rambling), 2) a non-mainstream Dipdom (like Peel's stuff), or 3) an alternate dipdom (experience? like Larzelere's chess stuff). So there's a possibility that the zeen will live. I hope you'll help out. I've put a lot of work into this and would hate to fold on a negative note.

Take care,  
Dick Martin  
26 Orchard Way  
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{I guess this is a mild form of blackmail, but I'll let myself be coerced. It seems to me a zine for discussing mostly serious topics is gonna generate a little heat. Lordy, you ought to have a little experience

### The Neighborhood



in the kitchen by now, Dick. My guess is that the enthusiasm and support of your subbers will persuade you to keep up an important service. I think you should even get a title. Let's see, how about Diplomacy Publishers Liason. Pretty impressive, no?}

Dear Mike,

Something about "coming out of the woodwork...."?

Hell, all I did was offer to run a game for the Orphan Service, just to get my fingers back in the old pie, and what happens? I find that after all these years, I still have friends out there!

Well, my days of umpteen games, thirty pages and huge circulations are at an end, but I can still have a little fun now that I'm an old man.

I'm trying to hold down to 5 pages (one ounce postage) but suspect that when the new game gets going, that won't happen. However, I won't go much over that, mainly because I don't have the time. And my circulation, which now stands at 15 including you (?), will not go above 38. That keeps things where they properly ought to be, as a hobby, not a second profession.

Best wishes,  
Conrad von Metzke  
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San Diego, CA 92128

{Including me. I know what you mean about keeping perspective. My circulation is a comfortable 50-60, and three or four games is quite enough to amuse me. Like many other Dippubbers, I occasionally do another newsletter. Right now it's Austin TI Pros, a monthly flyer for a new local network. But I still have to stay busy with my regular work, so I refuse to let myself be seduced into spending too much time on Dippy.}

Deadline for all LSD games:

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tournament, but I kibbitzed until 6 pm when I GMed the 1983 Diplomacy variant tournament. When that was done I met some friends from Dallas for a couple of drinks and crashed about 1 am. The next morning I played in the first round of the regular Dip tourney. I shared a voted draw with Matt Fleming and Dan McCooey in a game that was remarkably fluid, no permanent alliances taking hold, and general willingness to continue negotiating: one of the best FTF games I can remember. Later that evening I presided at the DipCon Society meeting. Several amendments to the charter were voted down unanimously (redrawing the regional boundaries to reduce the number of regions from four to three, proxy voting, etc.), and one minor housekeeping amendment was approved. Seattle was chosen as the site for DipCon next year. Pete Gaughan, Terry Tallman, and Rod Walker were elected the Committee of Three to plan the event. I intentionally overslept the next morning, had a couple of blintzes for late breakfast, and headed back down IH-35 to Austin.

M-GAME. OK, it's time to get off the dime. I will begin the M-game as soon as I get confirmation from seven of these folks: Fritz, Pierce, Smith, Tatsch (or Mayes), Milewski, Albrecht, Tinker, and Quinn. The best confirmation would be submission of a gamefee and preference list. Since both Pierce and Milewski live in Ohio, and Pierce was the first to sign up, only he may play. The same applies to Tatsch and Mayes, with Tatsch getting the nod. In addition, I think one other person listed here told me he might not be able to play, so if there's one more out there who wants to play in LSD's last game, let me know.

PLUGGETTE. Greg Ellis, 700 Rio Grande, Austin, TX 78701 is starting up a new zine FEUILLETONIST'S FORUM, which will feature political discussion, a game of Presidential Politics, and of course, Diplomacy. Conrad Minshall is guest GMing one game. I don't have a lot of details, but it looks like two-week deadlines will be the pace.

STANDBY LIST. Byrne, Fritz, Mayes, Meinel, Pierce, Quinn, and Tinker. Your name comes off the list at your request or when you take over an NMR position. There's always room for more.

CARUSO MASCOT POLL. Nominations are now being solicited to fill the empty office of Diplomacy Hobby Mascot. Anyone may nominate a favorite pet, a generic animal, a literary beast, or an imaginary animal for this office. Send a short description and (optionally) a black-and-white illustration of nominees to any publisher, who is then requested to forward the nominations to LSD by the nominating deadline of September 15, 1984. When all the nominations are received here, I will publish a list of the nominees and their pictures, disseminate it, and solicit votes.

1982 AM JALAPEÑO S 1907



AUSTRIAN DESPAIR DEEPENS; BRITISH VIE WITH NEW SULTAN FOR RUSS LANDS

> Draw proposals: vote on E/I, A/G, and E/G/I draws with next season's moves. NVR = approval.

ENGLAND (David Pierce): A Nwy-STP, A Lon-NWY (F NTH c), F NWG h, A LVN s German A Pru-War, A Ukr-SEV (A MOS s), A MUN s German A Ber-Sil, A BUR A Mun, F BOT h, F ALB s Italian F Ion-Gre.

GERMANY (Terry Suitor): F BAL h, A Ber-SIL, A Pru-WAR.

ITALY (Greg Fritz): A VIE-Bud (A TRI s), F ADR s A Tri, A TYO-Vie, A Rom-APU, F Ion-GRE, F Nap-ION (F TUN s).

AUSTRIA (Bryan Jurkowski): F Gre-Bul(sc) {ds1, ann}, A RUM s, A BUD s A Rum, A SER s A Bud, A Sil-Gal {ds1, ret to Boh br dsb}.

TURKEY (Dick Martin): A War-Gal {ds1, ann}, A BUL s Italian F Ion-Gre, F AEG s A Bul, F EAS s F Aeg, F BLA-Rum.

#### Supply Center Chart: W'07

E:	Home, Hol, Bel, Par, Nwy, Stp, Mos, Kie, MUN, SEV	13/build 2
G:	Ber, Den, Swe, WAR	4/build 1
I:	Home, Tun, Mar, Spa, Por, Tri, VIE, GRE	10/build 2
A:	Bud, <u>Pie</u> , Ser, <u>Gre</u> , RUM	3/remove 1 {1 ann}
T:	Home, Bul, <u>Rum</u> , <u>War</u> ,	4/even {1 ann, played 2 short}

#### > PRESS--

LON-WORLD: Isn't it time to let this war end? I'm voting for the E/I draw, and I encourage all allies and enemies to do the same.

AUSTRIA-ITALY: Go, Fritz, go! Go, Fritz, go!

AUSTRIA-TURKEY: Hi, Dick. Too bad you were not in the game sooner. Could have used you as a good ally. But all seems lost now. Until England and Italy stab each other.

AUSTRIA-GERMANY: You can have your homeland back, we have taken all the beer, and soon the English will take anything we forgot.

GERMANY-AUSTRIA: No, this puppet won't die. I believe I have nine lives, and I think I have nearly used them all.

AUSTRIA-EUROPE: Did everyone hear the news about the old lady in the Wendy's commercials? The one who says, "Where's the beef?" Well, she died. Sad, yes! She got run over by a Big Mac!!

AUSTRIA-EUROPE: Take that joke! And I will torture you with more!

AUSTRIA-ENGLAND: Who is going to stab who first? You or Greg?

TURKEY: Gee, everybody wants to attack me. What did I do to deserve this? There are hardly enough centers to go around! Being attacked by an English F Alb is really pushing it. OK, so it's not attacking me directly. But it would, if it could!

## Mailing List

date 3 July 1984

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Corrections are welcome. Let me know if you don't want your phone number to appear on later updates.



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FRENCH EXPEL GERMAN INVADERS;  
BRITISH TIGHTEN HOLD ON NORTH> Autumn 1905: Russia retreats dislodged  
A Nwy-Fin.> Winter 1905: France builds A Mar; Italy  
builds A Ven; Russia removes A Gal.ENGLAND (Don Scheifler): F Bar-STP(nc)  
(A MOS s), F Nwy-SWE (F DEN s), F Lon-NTH,  
A Lpl-YOR.FRANCE (Conrad Minshall): F ENG-Bal,  
F Bre-GAS, A Mar-BUR (A PAR & A PIC s).GERMANY (Paul Milewski): A Bur-Pic (ds1,  
ann), (A BEL s), A MUN-Bur (A RUH s),  
A Ber-KIE.ITALY (Bill Quinn): A Ven-TYR, A Boh-GAL  
(A VIE s), A Ser-BUD (A TRI s), A Alb-SER,  
A BUL-Rum, F Ion-TUN, F AEG-Con.RUSSIA (Fred Winter): A Stp-Mos (ds1, ret  
to Lvn, Nwy, or dsb), A FIN-Stp, A Arm-ANK  
(F BLA s), A RUM s A Bud, A Bud s A Rum  
(ds1, ann).TURKEY (Seth Owen): F Smy-EAS, A CON s  
A Ank, A Ank s A Con (ds1, ret to Smy  
or dsb).> E/I, E/F/I, and E/F/G/I draws and a  
concession to Italy have been proposed.  
Vote with next season's moves. NVR = yes.

## &gt; PRESS--

ROME: Pope Guido relaxed for a moment on a balcony overlooking the city. How peaceful it looked despite the bustle in the streets and roads. Ships in the harbor seemed to float over the water, and every day came news that more lands were being converted. Rasputin and the infidel Turkish Sultan Enim-Aor (spelling's a guess - sorry, Pope) were besieged and growing weaker.

However, life does not thrive on peace, but on strife. From the dark woods of the barbarian northlands came tales of snake worshippers doing things with hatchling birds that made one's skin crawl.

The Pope shivered, stood up, and wrapped his arms about himself, pacing back and forth. Such pagans were worse than heretics and infidels, but for now they are beyond his reach.

CONSTANTINOPLE: The Sultan declares a new, enlightened policy of nonaggression and noninterference in other nation's internal affairs.



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